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MEMORANDUM

FROM:

Office of the Chief Immigration Judge

SUBJECT:

Status of New York Immigration Courts

This memo is written as a follow-up to my September 14, 2001, memo.

Please be advised that the Immigration Courts at 26 Federal Plaza and 201 Varick Street are currently closed to the public. Beginning Thursday, September 20, however, hearings will resume in the Immigration Court Annex located on the 9th Floor at 201 Varick Street for cases involving non-detained respondents.

Although the building is being reopened to some Federal personnel, the Immigration Court at 26 Federal Plaza is not yet open to the public. Until then, emergency motions for stays of removal in cases under the jurisdiction of the court at Federal Plaza may be filed at the Immigration Court located at 970 Broad Street, Room 1135, Newark, New Jersey. The telephone number in Newark is (973) 645-3524.

The Immigration Court for detained cases at the Varick Street location also remains closed. Individuals previously detained there have been transferred by the Immigration and Naturalization Service to other locations. Respondents or their representatives will be notified of the locations of the Immigration Courts where their cases will be heard.

I will continue to provide updates as they become available.

Michael J. Creppy

Chief Immigration Judge